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Confirmation

We appreciate your joining our worship circle this morning, and we invite you to sign our guest book. If you are looking for an altar at which to commune, please speak to the pastor beforehand. He will be happy to provide you with the information you would want and need.

Sunday family worship.....8:00 and 10:45 A.M.
Examination of confirmands....9:45 A.M.

I BELIEVE!

GREETING:

HYMN (SECOND SERVICE): THIS I BELIEVE (THE CREED)

Children

*Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God Almighty,
Through Your Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.*

Refrain:

*I believe in God our Father. I believe in Christ the Son. I believe in the Holy Spirit.
Our God is Three in One! I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again,
for I believe in the Name of Jesus.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

You're invited...

- All are invited to a confirmation open house for Melanie Gerbitz at 3 p.m. today at her home (W328S7881 Glen Way/ Mukwonago).
- An open house for Isabelle Morris will be held at her home (N48W27665 S. Courtland Cir., Pewaukee) today from 1-5 p.m. All are welcome!

Delegate
conference tomorrow!

The Great Lakes Delegate Conference begins tomorrow at 10 a.m. Thank you to the committee, the hosts for the delegates, and all others who are helping with food, setup, cleanup, etc. The conference sessions are open for anyone to sit in and listen. The agenda is posted on the bulletin board. The conference service is at 7 p.m. tomorrow. All are welcome. The children are singing "I Believe."

Wednesday Bible class

This week's class will continue the discussion of CLC history and the Joint Statement written by representatives of the CLC/ELS/WELS.

Summer schedule next week

Our summer schedule begins next Sunday. Services will be held at 8:00 and 9:30 a.m., with Sunday School and Sunday Bible class in recess.

A priceless gift!

On Friday the Lord blessed the Erik and Jessie Nelson family with the gift of a daughter, *Brianna Reese Charynn* (8 lbs. 13 oz.; 21 in.).

CLC call news:

- Teacher Jeff Karnitz of Mountain View, CA, has accepted the call to Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane Valley, WA.
- Pastor Matthew Ude has received a call to Ascension, Batavia, IL.

Lutheran Spokesman

The *Lutheran Spokesman* is the official magazine of the CLC. Each issue contains a wealth of devotional articles, as well as synod news and announcements. Recently the number of subscribers has increased by 25%, which has allowed for a reduction in both renewal and new subscriber rates. The cost for renewals is \$10 and new subscribers will receive 12 issues for \$8 (1/2 price). It makes a great gift. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board. The deadline is June 26th.

Going, going...

Today is the last chance to sign up for the Brewers game on Tuesday, July 26th. Tickets are \$21. Check the bulletin board for details or contact Mr. Quade TODAY.

Looking
Ahead...

♣Monday-Tuesday:
Great Lakes Delegate
Conference.

♣Tuesday:
11:00 A.M.: Brenwood service.
7:00 P.M.: Bd. of Education.

♣Wednesday:
7:00 P.M.: Bible class.

♣Thursday:
6:45 P.M.: Adult information.

♣Next Sunday:
Summer schedule: Services at
8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

♣June 14th:
6:00 P.M.: Bd. of Elders.
7:00 P.M.: Bd. of Property.

♣June 16th:
6:30 P.M.: Church
Council.



Vacation time?

Many of us look forward to summer vacations as a time to get away, unwind, and recharge. Of course, we never want to use vacation as time away from God and the needed refreshment of His Word. If you're away from home on a Sunday, consider visiting a nearby sister CLC congregation. Or if that isn't possible, our services are always available on ustream. Another aspect of our worship is our offerings by which we express our love for the Savior, our trust in His provision of our daily bread, and our desire to support the work of the gospel here at Messiah and through our joint work in the CLC. If you are not able to be at worship one or more weeks, you can still follow Paul's directive in 1 Cor. 16:2 and set aside a weekly offering for a future Sunday.

FINANCES:	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>To Date</u>
Budgetary Offerings:	\$5,885.00	\$293,596.00
Sunday School:	\$1.00	
Budgetary Needs:	\$6,403.00	\$300,162.00
Over (Under) Budget:	(\$518.00)	(\$6,566.00)
Missions:	\$75.00	\$3,545.00
ILC Building Fund:	\$60.00	\$2,500.00
MDF:	\$65.00	\$2,198.00
Kinship:	\$15.00	\$746.00
CDSIF (Olhmanson Mem.):	\$25.00	
Attendance Last Sunday: 161		

Church cleaning: June 11-17:
Church: T/M Blue, B. Blue, C. Blue.
School: B/A Lillo, S. Lillo, D. Blue.
June ushers: 1st: S. Mielke, J. Marita.
2nd: J. Lisak, S. Lisak.

Daily Bible Readings: M: 2 Chr. 22-24; Jn. 14:15-31. Tu: 2 Chr. 25-27; Jn 15:1-17. W: 2 Chr. 28-30; Jn 15:18-16:15. Th: 2 Chr. 31-33; Jn. 16:16-33. F: 2 Chr. 34-Ezra 2; Jn. 17. Sa/Su: Ezra 3-5; Jn. 18.

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BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 800 (WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT): "Go, My CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING"



*Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified, forgiveness is in You.
Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life, forever seated high.*

Refrain:

*I believe in God our Father. I believe in Christ the Son. I believe in the Holy Spirit.
Our God is Three in One! I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again,
for I believe in the Name of Jesus.*

*I believe in You. I believe You rose again. I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord.
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Refrain:

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Cong. joins refrain:

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Spirit. Our God is Three in One! I believe in the resurrection, that we will
rise again, for I believe in the Name of Jesus.
For I believe in the Name of Jesus! For I believe in the Name of Jesus!*

INVOCATION:

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: David writes in Psalm 27:

"The LORD is my light and my salvation—

C: whom shall I fear?

P: The LORD is the stronghold of my life—

C: of whom shall I be afraid?

P: One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek:

C: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.



P: For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling;
C: he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.

P: Wait for the LORD;
C: be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD."

Hymn 782 (Worship Supplement): "Evening and Morning"

Confession and Absolution

P: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
C: But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

P: If God were to mark our iniquities and sins, we would be left without hope. Since the time of the first sin of Adam and Eve, we are, by nature, sinful and unclean. We sin continually. But our loving Lord does not leave us without hope. He has given us redemption through His Son. With this confidence, we seek our heavenly Father's grace for the sake of Jesus Christ.
C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: "O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption." Receive this plentiful redemption through faith in Christ. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Prayer

P: Almighty and eternal God, Your Son, Jesus, triumphed over Satan and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault on our faith, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

5 *Though reason cannot understand,
Yet faith this truth embraces:
Your body, Lord, is even now
At once in many places.
I leave to You how this can be;
Your Word alone suffices me;
I trust its truth unfailing.*

6 *Lord, I believe what You have said;
Help me when doubts assail me.
Remember that I am but dust,
And let my faith not fail me.
Your supper in this vale of tears
Refreshes me and stills my fears
And is my priceless treasure.*

7 *Grant that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.*

8 *For Your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.*



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The Nunc Dimittis

(Cong.)

1. *O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.*

2. *All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three-in-One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.*

THE INVITATION:

P: In His mercy Jesus, the Lord your God, has become your refuge. By His Spirit He is near you and now invites you to His Supper. In the eating of the bread you receive the very body of Christ, and in the drinking of the cup you receive the blood of Christ. Here is where you can take refuge. Here in His presence is where you find fullness of joy. Come to the Lord's table and be nourished and strengthened!

THE DISTRIBUTION. (HYMN 755 IN THE WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT AND THE HYMN BELOW)

"LORD JESUS CHRIST, YOU HAVE PREPARED"



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST *Gloria in Excelsis*



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

EPISTLE READING: PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14

In Christ we have a glorious goal worth striving toward...

Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 8:31-36

Jesus sets us free to know the truth and live for Him...

Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can you say, 'You will be made free'?"

Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed."

THE APOSTLES' CREED (FIRST SERVICE)

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN 778 (WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT): "GRACE HAS A THRILLING SOUND"

SERMON: JOSHUA 3:1-5

Then Joshua rose early in the morning; and they set out from Acacia Grove and came to the Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they crossed over. So it was, after three days, that the officers went through the camp; and they commanded the people, saying, "When you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests, the Levites, bearing it, then you shall set out from your place and go after it. Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure. Do not come near it, that you may know the way by which you must go, for you have not passed this way before." And Joshua said to the people, Sanctify yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you."

YOU HAVEN'T BEEN THIS WAY BEFORE

I. KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE LORD.

II. TRUST HIS PROMISES.



P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

The Rite of Confirmation (second service)

Joseph Andrew Bailey

Melanie Raquel Gerbitz

Isabelle Sara Ruth Morris

Jared Paul Mueller

Khadijah Erika Watson

CHOIR: "SHEPHERD ME, O LORD"

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE CHRISTIAN QUESTIONS (CONFIRMANDS—SECOND SERVICE)

P: The Lord be with you.

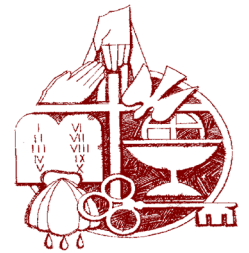
C: **And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: **It is good and right to do so.**



P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." After the same manner also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks and gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."